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DEPT PASS TO SFO RECEPTION CENTER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SCUL JA

SUBJECT: SOKA GAKKAI PRESIDENT IKEDA VISIT TO US

1. SOKA GAKKAI VICE PRESIDENT HIROSHI HOJO CALLED ON CHARGE FEBRUARY 14 TO REVIEW ITINERARY OF FORTHCOMING VISIT TO US AND LATIN AMERICA BY PRESIDENT OF THAT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION, DAISAKU IKEDA. SOKA GAKKAI IS POPULISTIC BUDDHIST SECT, WITH CHAPTERS IN US AND OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES. DURING PHENOMENAL POST-WAR GROWTH IT HAS GIVEN BIRTH TO SIGNIFICANT MINORITY OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTY, KOMEITO.

2. PARTICULAR PURPOSE OF HOJO CALL WAS TO REQUEST THAT ASSISTANCE BE GIVEN IKEDA PARTY IN COMPLETING CIQ ENTRY PROCEDURES ON ARRIVAL SAN FRANCISCO. EXPLAINING THAT IKEDA COULD NOT BE EXEMPTED FROM CIQ PROCEDURES, CHARGE OFFERED TO REQUEST THAT SFO RECEPTION CENTER PROVIDE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: SFO RECEPTION CENTER PLEASE PROVIDE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE. CONTACT GEORGE WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT NSA (NICHIREN SHOSHU ASSOCIATION - US BRANCH OF SOKA GAKKAI) SANTA MONICA, TELEPHONE 213-451-8811 TO COORDINATE.

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FYI: WILLIAMS MAY INVOKE NAME OF CONGRESSIONAL CONTACTS TO

PRESS FOR EXEMPTION FROM CIQ PROCEDURES. END FYI

4. IKEDA ITINERARY FOLLOWS:

MAR 7 1630 LV TOKYO JL 002

MAR 7 0830 AR SAN FRANCISCO

MAR 10 1250 LV SAN FRANCISCO NA 46

MAR 10 2138 ARR MIAMI

MAR 12 2000 LV MIAMI RG 801

MAR 13 0850 AR SAO PAULO

MAR 21 1345 LV SAO PAULO SC 400

MAR 21 1430 ARR RIO DE JANEIRO

MAR 23 1100 LV RIO DE JANEIRO RG 842

MAR 12 1410 AR LIME

MAR 28 1210 LV LIMA AR 370

MAR 28 2135 AR LOS ANGELES

APR 4 1435 LV LOS ANGELES WA 603

APR 4 1510 AR SAN DIEGO

APR 9 1330 LV LOS ANGELES NW 21

APR 9 1705 AR HONOLULU

APR 13 1145 LV HONOLULU JL 71

APR 14 1530 AR TOKYO

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5. ADVANCE PARTY HEADED BY TOMIYA AKIYAMA, CHIEF FOREIGN RELATIONS, SOKA GAKKAI INFORMATION CENTER, PLANS VISIT TO WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 21-23. AKIYAMA WILL CALL EA/J COUNTRY DIRECTOR SHERMAN TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENT FEBRUARY 22. AKIYAMA ALSO HOPES TO RENEW ACQUAINTANCES WITH HUBBARD (EA/J) AND SUTTON (INR.)

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